



DAIRY GOAT

2026 EXHIBIT GUIDE

OCTOBER 24-25
SWINE/SHEEP/GOAT ARENA

DAIRY GOAT DEPARTMENT

Physical Location:
SC State Fair
1200 Rosewood Dr
Columbia SC 29201

Mailing Address:
SC State Fair
P. O. Box 393
Columbia 29202

Swine / Sheep / Goat Barn

Exhibitors: Enter Gate 1 on Rosewood Drive

SUPERINTENDENT

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IMPORTANT DATES

- 2026 South Carolina State Fair – October 15-25
- Open Entry Registration: July 1 - Sept. 1 – All entries must be received in the Entry Office by midnight of the closing date. Late entries will not be accepted.
- Dairy Goat Check-In: Friday, October 23 – 4pm-9pm.
- SHOW DATES:
 - Junior Doe Show - Saturday, Oct 24 – 12:00 noon
 - Senior/Junior Combined Doe Show - Sunday, Oct 25 – 10:00 am
- RELEASE - Sunday, Oct. 25 - All animals released at conclusion of the Combined Show. *(Animals leaving before release time without approval of show committee will forfeit premiums.)*
- FINAL SHOW ORDER will be determined at check in. Tentative Order: Alpine, LaMancha, Nigerian, Nubian, Recorded Grade, Oberhasli, AOP

BASE DATE FOR COMPUTING AGES: October 25, 2026

FEES & PARKING

- **ENTRY FEE: \$10 per head / class**
- **Group Classes have no entry fee. Junior Showmanship has no entry fee.**
- One (1) complimentary Parking Pass will be available at Gate 1 on Rosewood Drive for each exhibitor.
- RV Camper: (see [Reserve RV Parking](#))

TOTAL PREMIUMS OFFERED

\$9,975 *(This figure does not include value of other awards, i.e., ribbons, rosettes, banners, belt buckle, etc.)*

PREMIUM CHECKS

1. Payment of premiums will be by check to exhibitors and mailed within thirty (30) days following the close of the fair.
2. Checks not cashed within ninety (90) days of issue will become void and will not be reissued.
3. Premiums paid to an individual exceeding \$599 total will be required to supply a completed W-9 form before the check(s) will be issued.
4. No claim that a premium has not been paid, or that there was a discrepancy in payment of the premium won, will be addressed following Nov. 30th after the fair.

BREEDS: Alpine, LaMancha, Nigerian Dwarf, Nubian, Oberhasli, Recorded Grade, AOP (All Other Purebreds: Guernsey, Oberhasli, Saanen, Sable, Toggenburg)

RULES & REGULATIONS

The American Dairy Goat Association (ADGA) rules shall govern the Dairy Goat Show. Additionally, the South Carolina State Fair General Rules and Regulations shall apply. As an exhibitor in the SC State Fair, you agree to the following:

1. *I have reviewed and agree to abide by the rules and regulations set forth in the online 2026 SC STATE FAIR EXHIBITS GUIDE.*
2. *Upon delivery of my entry, I acknowledge that others will be using said facilities and premises at the same time and that the State Agricultural & Mechanical Society of South Carolina, aka The South Carolina State Fair, is not responsible for the acts, property, equipment and animals of others or the acts or products of any concessionaire.*
3. *I agree that photos of exhibits taken by official fair representatives may be used on the South Carolina State Fair website and social media outlets, such as Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Pinterest, etc.*
4. *I acknowledge that the State Agricultural & Mechanical Society of South Carolina, aka The South Carolina State Fair, is not responsible for any loss, injury, illness, or damage to any animals or property or exhibit articles and that such understanding and agreement is a condition of my entry or exhibit.*
5. *Further, I agree to and hereby indemnify the State Agriculture & Mechanical Society, aka The South Carolina State Fair, from any loss, injury, damage or claim of any third person caused by any animal, exhibit, entry or property of mine or any act of anyone or mine acting on my behalf.*

DIVISIONS

Each division, **Junior Doe Show** and **COMBINED Senior/Junior Doe Show**, is sanctioned separately by the American Dairy Goat Association. If you have a Junior Doe in Saturday's show and want to participate in Sunday's combined show, **you must register separately. You will not be automatically added to the combined show.**

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

1. Only **American Dairy Goat Association** and **American Goat Society** registered, recorded or applied-for animals may be shown.
2. **Current ADGA exceptions and extensions to deadlines will be honored for entry (ie. Stamped Duplicates). Show order is subject to change.**
3. These shows are sanctioned by ADGA for the following breeds: Alpine, LaMancha, Nigerian Dwarf, Nubian, Oberhasli, Recorded Grade, AOP (All Other Purebreds: Guernsey, Saanen, Sable, Toggenburg). Final show order will be determined at Check In.

ENTRY REGISTRATION

1. Online entry registration is the preferred method for registering entries. A link to the ShoWorks entry system is found on the SC State Fair website at www.scstatefair.org/competitions
2. Online entry registrations are confirmed at time of submission.
3. Please print/save and bring your confirmation on Delivery Day.
4. An exhibitor may opt to mail an entry form and must include a self-addressed, stamped legal size envelope to receive a return confirmation that the entry form was received.
5. The Show Manager may reject any applications that are not properly prepared or that are received or postmarked after September 1.

PEN SIZE

1. Pen size is approximately 4' x 8'.
2. The number of pens is limited; therefore, no tack pens will be available.
3. **Please state the number of pens you need at the time of registration.**

CARE OF ANIMALS REQUIREMENTS

1. The Exhibitor must furnish feed for his/her animals. Bedding (shavings) will be furnished by the Fair.
2. Pens will be cleaned after completion of the Sheep Show and fresh bedding put down. This method meets with the approval of the State Veterinarian.
3. Water will be available at no cost to the exhibitor.

HEALTH REGULATIONS

Health rules submitted by Dr. Patty Scharko, Clemson LPH. Goats must conform to the following South Carolina Animal Health Requirements:

1. Goats crossing state lines (out-of-state) require a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI, health certificate) and official individual identification. Individual identification must be recorded on the CVI including the statement "Not infected with, exposed to or from a flock or area under quarantine for scabies, scrapie, blue tongue or any other infectious, contagious or communicable diseases."
2. The CVI must be written within thirty (30) days of the show and accompany the goats.
3. Testing is not required for exhibiting dairy goats originating from Brucellosis Free and Tuberculosis Free States. Please call Clemson Livestock & Poultry Health 803.788.2260 for additional information.
4. The CVI papers will be checked by a member of the Show Committee as the animals are unloaded.
5. All goats must be identified on CVI by both name and tattoo number.
6. No goat will be allowed to offload if it is not properly identified on the CVI at the time they are checked.
7. Ill animals will be retained in isolation until released by the Show Veterinarian.
8. In case of dispute, the decision of the show committee will be final.

ANIMAL REGISTRATION

1. Animal registration papers are required on all animals six (6) months of age or older.
2. Duplicates of applications for registration stamped by the ADGA office will be accepted on animals under six (6) months of age. ADGA exceptions and extensions relating to registration of animals will be honored.
3. No copies of the registration certificate or the stamped duplicate application or phone calls will be accepted in lieu of the original papers.
4. See the Very Important Dates for the Base Date for computing ages.
5. No horned animals will be allowed.
6. No dogs or other possible disturbing influences are allowed near the Show premises.
7. There will be no pre-show milk-out.

CLASS CODES

1. Check all class codes carefully.
2. Incorrect entries, i.e., animals entered in the wrong classes, will not be changed at the show.
3. If the Superintendent suspects an incorrect entry, it will be returned to the exhibitor for correction.
4. The corrected entry form must be received by the Superintendent by Noon of the last day of the Entry Registration Period.

CHECK-IN

1. See the **Very Important Dates** on page 2 for check-in, show, and release dates and times.
2. Early/Late arrival considered on a case-by-case basis and requires approval of Superintendent. Early/late arrivals without prior approval from the Show Superintendent will not be permitted entry to Fairground – NO EXCEPTIONS.
3. At the end of the scheduled check-in time, the books will close - No Exceptions!
4. Animals will be released at the completion of the Combined Senior/Junior Show.
5. Animals leaving before release time without approval of show committee will forfeit premiums (prize money).

DAIRY GOAT HERDSMAN RECOGNITION

1. All herdsmen entered in the South Carolina State Fair Dairy Goat Show will be considered entrants in this contest.

2. Winners will be selected by a committee of three (3) people chosen by the show committee and not associated with the host club.
3. Exhibitors should be familiar with the scorecard.

GROUP CLASSES

An animal must be shown in its individual Class prior to being shown in any of the Group Classes.

SHOWMANSHIP CLASSES

The Junior Doe Show has three (3) Showmanship Classes. Please register via ShoWorks. There is no fee to participate. Age groups are based on age as of date of show. Adult Showmanship SignUp will be in person.

- 10 years of age & under
- 11-14 years of age
- 15-18 years of age

NOTICE

Show order is subject to change.

PRESIDENT'S CHOICE AWARD

Recipient will receive a Silver Belt Buckle.

Purpose:

The President's Award was designed to bestow the highest recognition to an outstanding exhibitor of the South Carolina State Fair who has demonstrated exceptional involvement in the livestock industry and is an advocate for agriculture and livestock education. The President's Choice Award is considered the highest honor at the South Carolina State Fair.

Selection: President Award Recipients will be selected in the following species: Jr Beef, Open Beef, Jr Dairy, Open Dairy, Dairy Goat, Jr Market Goat, Jr Market Lamb, Open Sheep, Smallstock, Jr Swine, Open Swine, and Youth Horse.

Guidelines:

- The South Carolina State Fair President's Competition is open to all 2026 South Carolina State Fair youth and open exhibitors (exhibitor is defined as an individual that exhibits an animal show in a minimum of one class in one species show and receives an official placing by the judge.)
- Contestants may only compete in one species area in which they are currently exhibiting.
- Once a youth exhibitor is recognized with the President's Award, they will not be eligible to compete for this award in the same species again. Youth winners are eligible to compete in the open division in future years.
- Once an open exhibitor is recognized with the President's Award, they will not be eligible to compete in future years.

Selection Information:

- This distinguished award will be selected by the species superintendent and the species support staff.

The intent of this prestigious award is determined on the following criteria:

- Exhibits will be evaluated each day of the designated species show by the species superintendent and the South Carolina State Fair Show Staff.
- Cleanliness of the exhibit area from the conclusion of species check in through the conclusion of the species show.
- The aisles must be kept clean. Feed and water pails should be neat, clean, and removed from the stalls/pens when not in use.
- Identification such as stall cards, farm signs are highly encouraged.
- Manure must be removed from stalls/pens and placed in appropriate containers/areas.
- The appearance of animals should be clean and always cared for.

- Livestock should be in the barn/stall area when not being groomed or shown.
- Courtesy to other exhibitors, spectators and show officials will count towards the award. Disregard for show and facility rules and regulations will count against award calculations.
- Positive interaction with the public during the designated species competition time frame.

BEST OF AWARDS

Best Junior Doe Kid in Show (from all breeds)

1st - \$75 & Banner

Best Dairy Herd Overall (from all breeds)

1st - \$100 & Banner

Best Udder Overall (from all breeds)

1st - \$100 & Banner

Best Doe in Show Overall (from all breeds)

1st - \$100 & Banner

Premier Breeder (from all breeds)

1st - \$100 & Banner

BREED AWARDS

JUNIOR DOE

- Grand Champion (7) – Rosette + \$50
- Reserve Champion (7) – Rosette + \$25

DOE

- Grand Champion (7) – Rosette + \$50
- Reserve Champion (7) – Rosette + \$25

PREMIUMS AWARDS

1st - \$30, 2nd - \$25, 3rd - \$20, 4th - \$15, 5th - \$10

JUNIOR DOE SHOW

PREMIUMS – ALL CLASSES

1st - \$30, 2nd - \$25, 3rd - \$20, 4th - \$15, 5th - \$10

DIVISION 1101 – JUNIOR DOE – ALPINE

101	Kindergarten kids – Birth to 3 months July 15 - Oct 24, 2026
102	Junior kids – 3 to 6 months – April 15 – July 14, 2026
103	Intermediate kids – 6 to 9 months – Jan 15, 2026 – April 14, 2026
104	Senior kids – 9 to 12 months, not in milk - Oct 15, 2025 - Jan 14, 2026
105	Yearlings – 12 to 24 months, not in milk - Oct 15, 2024 - Oct 14, 2025
106	Get of Sire – 3 does from same sire - List name of sire only on entry
107	Produce of Dam – 2 does from same dam - List name of dam on entry

DIVISION 1102 – JUNIOR DOE – LAMANCHA

201	Kindergarten kids – Birth to 3 months July 15 - Oct 24, 2026
202	Junior kids – 3 to 6 months – April 15 – July 14, 2026
203	Intermediate kids – 6 to 9 months – Jan 15, 2026 – April 14, 2026
204	Senior kids – 9 to 12 months, not in milk - Oct 15, 2025 - Jan 14, 2026
205	Yearlings – 12 to 24 months, not in milk - Oct 15, 2024 - Oct 14, 2025
206	Get of Sire – 3 does from same sire - List name of sire only on entry
207	Produce of Dam – 2 does from same dam - List name of dam on entry

DIVISION 1103 – JUNIOR DOE – NIGERIAN DWARF

301	Kindergarten kids – Birth to 3 months July 15 - Oct 24, 2026
302	Junior kids – 3 to 6 months – April 15 – July 14, 2026
303	Intermediate kids – 6 to 9 months – Jan 15, 2026 – April 14, 2026
304	Senior kids – 9 to 12 months, not in milk - Oct 15, 2025 - Jan 14, 2026
305	Yearlings – 12 to 24 months, not in milk - Oct 15, 2024 - Oct 14, 2025
306	Get of Sire – 3 does from same sire - List name of sire only on entry
307	Produce of Dam – 2 does from same dam - List name of dam on entry

DIVISION 1104 – JUNIOR DOE – NUBIAN

401	Kindergarten kids – Birth to 3 months July 15 - Oct 24, 2026
402	Junior kids – 3 to 6 months – April 15 – July 14, 2026
403	Intermediate kids – 6 to 9 months – Jan 15, 2026 – April 14, 2026
404	Senior kids – 9 to 12 months, not in milk - Oct 15, 2025 - Jan 14, 2026
405	Yearlings – 12 to 24 months, not in milk - Oct 15, 2024 - Oct 14, 2025
406	Get of Sire – 3 does from same sire - List name of sire only on entry
407	Produce of Dam – 2 does from same dam - List name of dam on entry

DIVISION 1105 – JUNIOR DOE – OBERHASLI

501	Kindergarten kids – Birth to 3 months July 15 - Oct 24, 2026
502	Junior kids – 3 to 6 months – April 15 – July 14, 2026
503	Intermediate kids – 6 to 9 months – Jan 15, 2026 – April 14, 2026
504	Senior kids – 9 to 12 months, not in milk - Oct 15, 2025 - Jan 14, 2026
505	Yearlings – 12 to 24 months, not in milk - Oct 15, 2024 - Oct 14, 2025
506	Get of Sire – 3 does from same sire - List name of sire only on entry
507	Produce of Dam – 2 does from same dam - List name of dam on entry

DIVISION 1106 – JUNIOR DOE – RECORDED GRADE

601	Kindergarten kids – Birth to 3 months July 15 - Oct 24, 2026
602	Junior kids – 3 to 6 months – April 15 – July 14, 2026
603	Intermediate kids – 6 to 9 months – Jan 15, 2026 – April 14, 2026
604	Senior kids – 9 to 12 months, not in milk - Oct 15, 2025 - Jan 14, 2026
605	Yearlings – 12 to 24 months, not in milk - Oct 15, 2024 - Oct 14, 2025
606	Get of Sire – 3 does from same sire - List name of sire only on entry
607	Produce of Dam – 2 does from same dam - List name of dam on entry

DIVISION 1107 – JUNIOR DOE – AOP – ALL OTHER PUREBREDS

(Including Guernsey, Saanen, Sable, Toggenburg)

701	Kindergarten kids – Birth to 3 months July 15 - Oct 24, 2026
702	Junior kids – 3 to 6 months – April 15 – July 14, 2026
703	Intermediate kids – 6 to 9 months – Jan 15, 2026 – April 14, 2026
704	Senior kids – 9 to 12 months, not in milk - Oct 15, 2025 - Jan 14, 2026
705	Yearlings – 12 to 24 months, not in milk - Oct 15, 2024 - Oct 14, 2025
706	Get of Sire – 3 does from same sire - List name of sire only on entry
707	Produce of Dam – 2 does from same dam - List name of dam on entry

COMBINED SENIOR/JUNIOR DOE SHOW

PREMIUMS – ALL CLASSES

1st - \$30, 2nd - \$25, 3rd - \$20, 4th - \$15, 5th - \$10

DIVISION 1121 – DOE – ALPINE

100	Two and Under – Never in milk
101	Milking Yearling – under 24 months
102	Milkers – 2 to 3 years
103	Milkers – 3 to 4 years
104	Milkers – 4 to 5 years
105	Milkers – over 5 years
106	Champion Challenge
107	Get of Sire – 3 does from same sire (List name of Sire on entry)
108	Dam and 1 milking daughter (List name of Dam on entry)
109	Breeder's Trio – Any 3 does bred by one breeder (can include Juniors and Seniors)

DIVISION 1122 – DOE – LAMANCHA

200	Two and Under – Never in milk
201	Milking Yearling – under 24 months
202	Milkers – 2 to 3 years
203	Milkers – 3 to 4 years
204	Milkers – 4 to 5 years
205	Milkers – over 5 years
206	Champion Challenge
207	Get of Sire – 3 does from same sire (List name of Sire on entry)
208	Dam and 1 milking daughter (List name of Dam on entry)
209	Breeder's Trio – Any 3 does bred by one breeder (can include Juniors and Seniors)

DIVISION 1123 – DOE – NIGERIAN DWARF

300	Two and Under – Never in milk
301	Milking Yearling – under 24 months
302	Milkers – 2 to 3 years
303	Milkers – 3 to 4 years
304	Milkers – 4 to 5 years
305	Milkers – over 5 years
306	Champion Challenge
307	Get of Sire – 3 does from same sire (List name of Sire on entry)
308	Dam and 1 milking daughter (List name of Dam on entry)
309	Breeder's Trio – Any 3 does bred by one breeder (can include Juniors and Seniors)

DIVISION 1124– DOE – NUBIAN

400	Two and Under – Never in milk
401	Milking Yearling – under 24 months
402	Milkers – 2 to 3 years
403	Milkers – 3 to 4 years
404	Milkers – 4 to 5 years
405	Milkers – over 5 years
406	Champion Challenge
407	Get of Sire – 3 does from same sire (List name of Sire on entry)
408	Dam and 1 milking daughter (List name of Dam on entry)
409	Breeder's Trio – Any 3 does bred by one breeder (can include Juniors and Seniors)

DIVISION 1125 – DOE – OBERHASLI

500	Two and Under – Never in milk
501	Milking Yearling – under 24 months
502	Milkers – 2 to 3 years
503	Milkers – 3 to 4 years
504	Milkers – 4 to 5 years
505	Milkers – over 5 years
506	Champion Challenge
507	Get of Sire – 3 does from same sire (List name of Sire on entry)
508	Dam and 1 milking daughter (List name of Dam on entry)
509	Breeder's Trio – Any 3 does bred by one breeder (can include Juniors and Seniors)

DIVISION 1126 – DOE – RECORDED GRADE

600	Two and Under – Never in milk
601	Milking Yearling – under 24 months
602	Milkers – 2 to 3 years
603	Milkers – 3 to 4 years
604	Milkers – 4 to 5 years
605	Milkers – over 5 years
606	Champion Challenge
607	Get of Sire – 3 does from same sire (List name of Sire on entry)
608	Dam and 1 milking daughter (List name of Dam on entry)
609	Breeder's Trio – Any 3 does bred by one breeder (can include Juniors and Seniors)

DIVISION 1127 – DOE – AOP – ALL OTHER PUREBREDS

*(Including Guernsey, Saanen, Sable, Toggenburg)

700	Two and Under – Never in milk
701	Milking Yearling – under 24 months
702	Milkers – 2 to 3 years
703	Milkers – 3 to 4 years
704	Milkers – 4 to 5 years
705	Milkers – over 5 years
706	Champion Challenge
707	Get of Sire – 3 does from same sire (List name of Sire on entry)
708	Dam and 1 milking daughter (List name of Dam on entry)
709	Breeder's Trio – Any 3 does bred by one breeder (can include Juniors and Seniors)